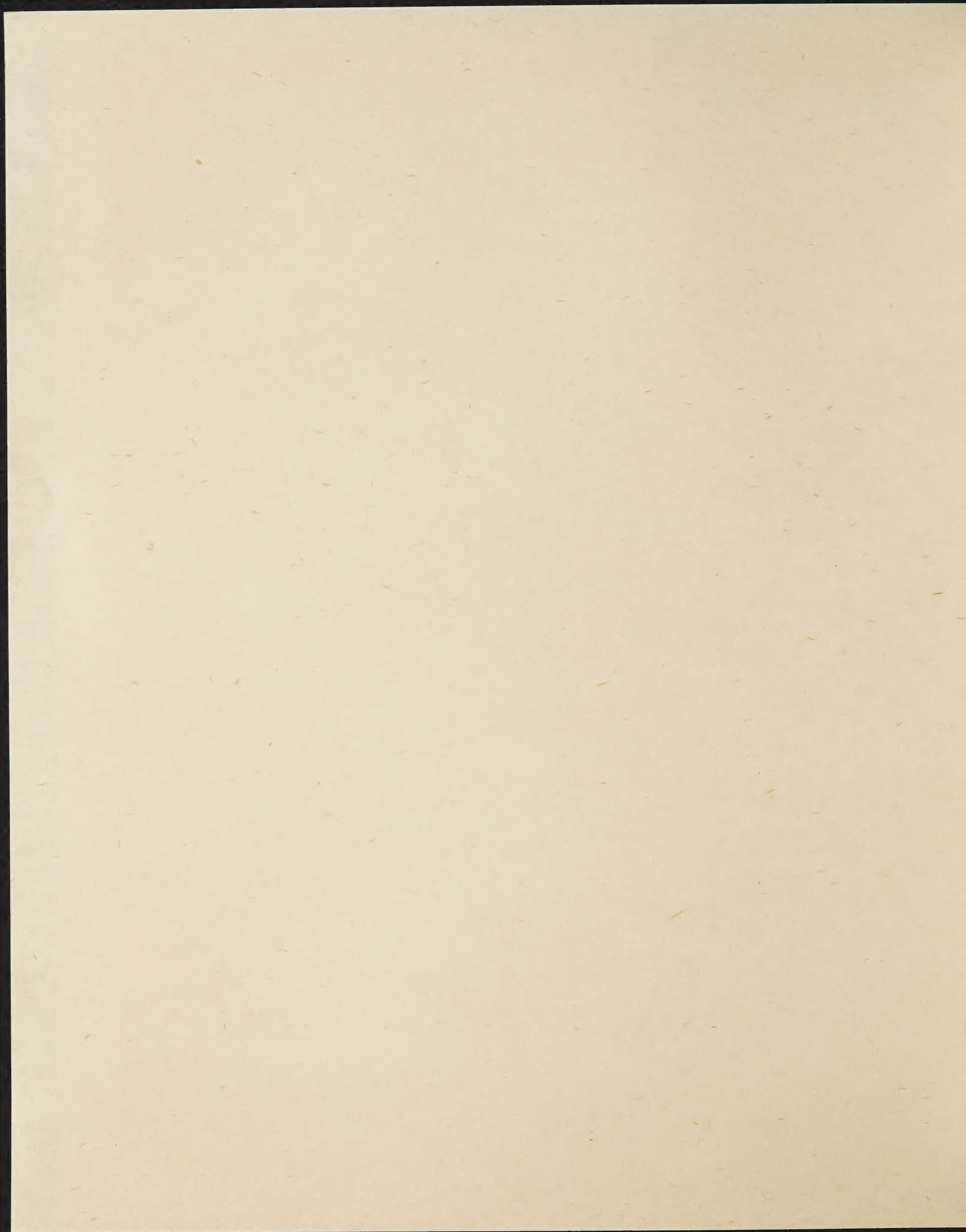


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Rev. A. Grierson,

Sunagin, Chosen, Japan.

Dear Dr. Grierson:

I was very glad to get your letter two days ago even if it is only a slight reminder of old days, but I am sorry also to know that one of your daughters is so ill, but I hope that she will be better and will improve under the change that you propose.

With regard to your recommendation for an honorary degree to Dr. Oliver B. Avison, I have met Dr. Avison and know him as a graduate of the University of Toronto who holds a high position among those who know him. There is no question as to his medical standing. I am afraid, however, he is not well enough known here in the meantime to give him the degree of Doctor of Laws. In fact our lists for the year are closed. I may tell you confidentially that one of those who is to get an LL.D. is Dr. Donald Macmillan of Shanghai. I will, however, put your letter on my file for honorary degrees and talk to some of the members of the medical staff before the next year comes round, though whether we shall be able to do anything I do not know. The Committee is large and fifteen men have to sign it, and there are all sorts of opinions among men, and it is not so easy either to get any individual through. With kind regards and hope that we shall hear better news from you later.

Yours sincerely,

President.

